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Mr. John W. Beasley
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Dear Mr. Beasley:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Temple Mountain Mines Project, S/015/059, Emery County, Utah

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on June 27, 1991. The application for the proposed Temple Mountain Mines Project, located in Sections 26, 27, and 34, T24S, R11E, SLBM is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

The Division has placed the various claim sites addressed in your correspondence under one notice and designated it the Temple Mountain Mines. The Division will require nothing further from you unless your operation exceeds 5 acres. Operations over 5 acres require a reclamation surety and detailed operation and reclamation plans.

Please be aware that the state's mining rules require that public and environmental safety hazards are addressed on all mine sites. Correspondence with the BLM indicates that some open mine shafts and portals associated with the Vanadium King and Uranium Queen mines present a public safety hazard. If you intend to leave these entrances accessible, they must be gated and locked when not attended.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (attachments SMO-1 and SMO-2).

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Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (attachment SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between this Division and the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) requires us to notify them upon receipt of a mining application. If you haven't already done so, you are advised to contact their office prior to starting your small mining operation to determine whether additional permits and/or approvals are required. We will forward a copy of this letter and your notice to the DEQ for their review. Their address and phone number is: Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84116, (801) 538-6121.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site(s). Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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